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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1 - 60. (Canceled)

Claims 61 - 64. (Canceled)

65. (Currently Amended) The pharmaceutical formulation of claim ~~64~~ 82, wherein the ~~fatty component is a sustained released component that~~ glyceryl behenate provides sustained release of the clarithromycin or clarithromycin derivative, and wherein the ~~hydrophilic component~~ hydroxypropyl methylcellulose forms a viscous layer in an aqueous medium through which the clarithromycin or clarithromycin derivative diffuses upon solubilization thereby effective to provide controlled release of the clarithromycin or clarithromycin derivative over about a twenty-four hour period.

Claims 66 - 69. (Canceled)

70. (Currently Amended) The pharmaceutical formulation of claim ~~69~~ 82, wherein the hydroxypropyl methylcellulose is low viscosity hydroxypropyl methylcellulose.

71. (Previously Presented) The pharmaceutical formulation of claim 70, wherein the hydroxypropyl methylcellulose has a viscosity of about 15 cP.

72. (Currently Amended) The pharmaceutical formulation of claim ~~64~~ 82, further comprising a surfactant.